



MARYLAND  
HEALTH CARE  
COMMISSION

# *Certificate of Need Program Task Force*



## **Overview of Task Force Objectives, Report Development Process, and Timetable**

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Chairman, CON Task Force  
May 26, 2005**

## **Goal**

- **To enhance the credibility and integrity of the Certificate of Need program in a dynamic and evolving health care system, by conducting a stakeholder driven review, using a combination of a broadly representative Task Force and public comment process, to gain insight and make recommendations to enhance and improve the program.**

## **Objectives**

- **Review and recommend modifications in the scope of services and facilities regulated under the Certificate of Need program.**
- **Review and recommend enhancements in the Certificate of Need application review process.**
- **Review and recommend enhancements in the monitoring of Certificate of Need projects under development.**

## **Public Forum**

- **Task Force Convenes Public Forum to Solicit Recommendations on CON Program**

**Tuesday, June 7, 2005**

**10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Maryland Health Care Commission Offices**

- **Provide Opportunity for Individuals/Facility Representatives to Provide Comment**

*Timetable –June 2005*

## **Report Development Process**

- **Task Force Reviews and Discusses Public Forum Presentations and Written Comments**
- **Task Force Develops Report Summarizing Findings and Recommendations for Presentation to the Full Commission**
- **All Task Force Meetings Announced and Open to the Public**

*Timetable – June-August 2005*

## **Report Review And Implementation Process**

- **Commission Reviews Task Force Report and Circulates Recommendations for Public Comment**  
*Timetable – September 2005*
- **Task Force Evaluates Public Comments Received and Agrees on Modifications to the Final Recommendations for Presentation to the Commission**  
*Timetable - October 2005*
- **Commission Final Action on Task Force Recommendations**  
*Timetable - November 2005*
- **Commission Develops and Approves Implementation Plan with Recommendations Regarding Modifications to Administrative, Regulatory, and Statutory Provisions**  
*Timetable - December 2005*



## Summary of Major Activities and Timetable

ACTIVITY	TENTATIVE TIMETABLE
<b>Appoint Task Force Members</b>	April-May 2005
<b>Task Force Public Forum to Obtain Comment on the CON Program</b>	June 2005
<b>Report Development Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Task Force Meetings to Review, Summarize and Agree on Final Recommendations</li></ul>	June-August 2005
<b>Report Review and Implementation Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Task Force Submits Recommendations to Commission</li><li>○ Obtain Public and Task Force Comment on Recommendations</li><li>○ Final Commission Action on Task Force Recommendations</li><li>○ Commission Review and Action on Implementation Plan with Recommendations Regarding Modifications to Administrative, Regulatory, and Statutory Provisions</li></ul>	September 2005  October 2005 November 2005 December 2005